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According to the 1953 East German economic plan, Walzwerk Willi Becker, Kirchmoeser, is to produce 30,000 metric tons of ship plate. Since the plant produces plate from 8 to 15 millimeters thick, the shipyards can take over only 20,000 metric tons of ship plate. The East German State Planning Commission therefore will increase the 1953 import plan for ship plate by the lacking amount, 10,000 metric tons. Inasmuch as ship plate is a so-called acceptance plate (Abnahmeblech), the Ministry for Machine Construction is to place additional orders with Kirchmoeser for 10,000 metric tons of plate of other acceptance qualities during 1953, since only a change of type of heavy plate is involved, and especially since no technical difficulties thereby arise.

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